



## 2009 Indiana Conference for People with Disabilities



# The American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD)

## WHO WE ARE

AAPD, the country's largest cross-disability membership organization, organizes the disability community to be a powerful voice for change – politically, economically, and socially. AAPD was founded in 1995 to help unite the diverse community of people with disabilities, including their family, friends and supporters, and to be a national voice for change in implementing the goals of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

## OUR PROGRAMS

- **Employment and Mentoring: Disability Mentoring Day (DMD)** promotes career development for students/job-seekers with disabilities nationwide through job shadowing and hands-on career exploration.
- **Leadership Development: Paul G. Hearne/AAPD Leadership Award, Congressional and Information Technology (IT) Summer Internships for college students with disabilities**, and the **AAPD Leadership Awards Gala**.
- **Advocacy:** Efforts include working with Congress to promote bipartisan legislation and policy which will further the ability of people with disabilities to live independently, contribute to society, pursue meaningful careers and enjoy self-determination, and **Justice for All**, a free action alert and disability news email service.
- **Political Participation: AAPD's Disability Vote Project (DVP)** addresses the fundamental inequalities faced by the nation's voters with disabilities.
- **Member Benefits** include: **AAPDnews**, a quarterly newsletter, and access to a federal credit union offering a full range of financial services, including Mobility Vehicle Loans (for adapted vehicles) and Access Loans (for any product, device or building modification designed to assist someone with a disability).

## CONNECT TO THE AAPD AND DISABILITY COMMUNITIES

- **AAPD'S Web Site:** [www.aapd.com](http://www.aapd.com)
- **Social Networking:** AAPD is active on social networking websites like Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter, where real-time messages and information are shared with the disability community online. To join one of our groups or follow what we are doing, visit [www.aapd.com/Membership/SocialNetworking.html](http://www.aapd.com/Membership/SocialNetworking.html).
- **Justice For All Email Listserv (JFA):** Sign up on AAPD's website or JFA blog to receive timely email alerts about national disability issues.
- **Justice For All Blog:** [www.jfactivist.com](http://www.jfactivist.com). Read up-to-the-minute disability news and exclusive commentary from individuals in the disability community.

**Visit [www.aapd.com](http://www.aapd.com) for full details of AAPD's programs and advocacy.**



**Stay informed with the latest-breaking disability news and receive time-sensitive Action Alerts that help to make the voice of people with disabilities heard loud and proud.  
SIGN UP FOR JFA FREE EMAIL LISTSERV BELOW!**

**JOIN AAPD TODAY!** Join from AAPD's website, [www.aapd.com](http://www.aapd.com) or mail in this form with your check or credit card information.

☐ \$15.00 (One Year) ☐ \$25.00 (Two Years) ☐ \$10.00 (Limited Income) ☐ \$10.00 (Student)

☐ \$50.00 (Supporting Membership – includes 2-year AAPD membership and \$25 contribution to support Limited Income memberships)

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☐ **Sign me up for JFA Action Alerts** (Don't forget to give your email address above). You can also sign up on AAPD's website.

**AAPD'S SOCIAL NETWORKING SITE: [www.aapd.com/Membership/SocialNetworking.html](http://www.aapd.com/Membership/SocialNetworking.html)**

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